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The Honorable John Sarbanes U.S. House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Congressman Sarbanes:

Thank you for your letter of June 16, 2017, to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency regarding your constituent Frank Turano and his company's petition regarding approval of a beet-to-ethanol production pathway.

I am pleased to share with you that the notice of the EPA's analysis of Mr. Turano's petition was published in the Federal Register on July 26, 2017 (82 FR 34656: https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2017-07-26/pdf/2017-15721.pdf), opening a 30-day comment period that will close on August 25, 2017. We have notified Mr. Turano that the notice has published in the Federal Register.

Again, thank you for your letter. If you have further questions, please contact me or your staff may contact Patricia Haman in the EPA's Office of Congressional and Intergovernmental Relations at haman.patricia@epa.gov or (202) 564-2806.

Sincerely,

Sarah Dunham

Acting Assistant Administrator